



**CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE**  
**COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

Pursuant to due notice the regularly scheduled Commission workshop meeting was held in the Commission Chambers at 360 E. Main St., Pahokee, Palm Beach County, Florida on April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Walkes at 6:13 p.m.

Official attendance was recorded as follows:

<b><u>Roll Call:</u></b>	Mayor Colin Walkes	Present
	City Commissioner Keith Babb	Present
	Commissioner Allie Biggs	Present
	Commissioner Felisia Hill	Present
	Vice Mayor Diane Walker	Present
	City Manager Derrek Moore	Present
	City Attorney Gary Brandenburg	Present
	Sergeant At Arms Lt. Poston	Absent
	City Clerk Anika Sinclair	Present

**Topic**

**Presentations:**

**a) RFP 2014 – 01 Restaurant Service at Marina Proposal Presentations**

- 1. Mike Mairuntegger, representative of Cruise America Associates LLC**, summarized his proposal. Mr. Mairuntegger stated he is not certain as to how many employees are will be hired, but Cruise America Associates LLC may anticipate approximately 10 employees, and they desire to employ as many locals as possible. Mr. Mairuntegger advised the monthly proposed amount for leasing the restaurant facility was approximately \$2000. Mr. Mairuntegger advised Robert Lambert, President of Cruise America Associates LLC, knew about the project and he has a restaurant in Okeechobee as well. Mr. Mairuntegger stated he feels the greatest challenge would be marketing the restaurant. Mr. Mairuntegger advised Cruise America Associates LLC will collaborate with the tenants of the Campground, Marina, and park area to incorporate the campground and marina views. Mr. Mairuntegger stated the menu will initially be similar to the menu at their restaurant in Okeechobee, but in due time, it will expanded to fit the need of Pahokee. The Menu will be affordable to the locals. Mr. Mairuntegger advised it will take approximately 45 to 60 day for Cruise America Associates LLC to begin operating after contract is signed.
- 2. Cathie Morelli, representative of Conchy Mo, Inc.**, summarized her proposal and advised it would be approximately 45 days for Conchy Mo, Inc. to begin operating. The State of Florida requires 30 days to obtain a Business License. Ms. Morelli replied there will be 14 employees, and 93 percent of the employees will be locals. The proposed monthly compensation was approximately \$1,500 to \$2,250. Ms. Morelli advised the cost analysis is based on the twelve month RFP and the marketing strategy is based on the following twelve months. The projected cost of the dock being attached to the restaurant is approximately \$425,000, which will have to be discussed on the long-term RFP. Ms. Morelli shared some of the items that will be on the menu.

Mayor Walkes asked Mr. Hartley, City of Pahokee's Financial Advisor, if there were any red flags regarding to the two (2) organizations' yearly projections for cost of operating.

Mr. Hartley advised thus far, there are no red flags. According to the perception he received from the presentation, Cruise America Associates LLC and Conchy Mo, Inc. are both qualified.

Lynda Moss, Marina Committee Member, advised the Committee made a unanimous decision, which was in the best interest of the City of Pahokee.

**b) Florida Youth Chamber of Commerce Charity Re-location Plan to Pahokee**

Gregory Cleveland, representative of Florida Youth Chamber of Commerce Charity, introduced Mary Domingo, Donations and Grants Manager and Director, and Donald Layman, Cofounder and Head Administrator for the Organizations. He advised the organization is interested in relocating and establishing its heads offices in Pahokee, as well as developing a working partnership with the City of Pahokee. The Florida Youth Chamber of Commerce (FYCC) is the business entity and the Florida Youth Chamber of Commerce Charity (FYCCC) is the community and charity entity. Mr. Cleveland stated through the FYCC, the organization wants to develop business infrastructure in Pahokee, via business creation, business development, and business growth. Through the FYCCC, the organization desires to provide assistance in community support via training development opportunities, statewide annual initiatives, targeting specific programs, and inclusion projects.

Commissioner Babb asked if the organization has identified a site in the City of Pahokee, in which they would like to relocate to. Commissioner Babb also inquired about the Youth Credit Union.

Mr. Cleveland replied the organization has viewed the premises between Save A Lot and Family Dollar, and the old packing house facility. The Youth Credit Union will be open to all ages, but the application in which they are introducing, will be different. Mr. Cleveland advised the company has been operating for 30 years, has operated in over 20 countries, and has had numerous successes. The FYCCC has been operating since 2003.

Commissioner Babb and Vice Mayor Walker thanked Mr. Cleveland for the information that was provided.

Commissioner Biggs requested to be provided with additional details.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Walkes adjourns the meeting at 7:46 p.m.



ATTEST: Anika Sinclair, CMC, City Clerk



Colin O. Walkes, Mayor